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**MARKET BOATS
WENT OUT EARLY.**

**HADDOCKERS AND POLLOCKERS
WILL HAVE GOOD FISH
DAY.**

But one shore boat, with a small fare, has arrived here since last report. There are all indications of a fish day outside and the market boats all went out early, the fleet of pollock seiners following about 7 o'clock.

About 11 o'clock a telephone message from Eastern Point light stated that the fresh halibut sch. Rhodora was just outside and as it was very calm she wanted a tug to bring her in. One was sent down to her.

Sch. Rhodora reached the harbor just before noon. She has been on a long and stormy trip and hails for 10,000 pounds of halibut.

The steam netters, which have been doing but little fishing for a long while, because of the bad weather, are now beginning to strike some fish and today six of them are in with catches ranging from 500 weight to 7000 pounds having altogether some 23,000 pounds of new live goods which will sell well.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.
The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Mary E. Silveira, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Mary B. Greer, shore.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.
- Sch. Regina, via Boston.
- Sch. Rhodora, Green bank, 10,000 lbs. halibut.
- Steamer Nomad, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Quoddy, shore 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Mindora, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Hope, shore, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Weazel, shore, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Prince Olaf, shore, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

- Vessels Sailed.**
- Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, haddocking.
 - Sch. Rex, haddocking.
 - Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, haddocking.
 - Sch. Stiletto, haddocking.
 - Sch. Speculator, haddocking.
 - Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.
 - Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.
 - Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddocking.
 - Sch. Rebecca, haddocking.
 - Sch. Matthew S. Greer, haddocking.
 - Sch. Ethel B. Penney, haddocking.
 - Sch. Manomet, haddocking.
 - Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.
 - Sch. Aspinet, haddocking.
 - Sch. Valentina, haddocking.
 - And all the pollock fleet.

- Today's Fish Market.**
- Georges handline salt cod, \$5.75 for large and \$5.50 for medium.
 - Bank halibut, 12 1/4 cts. per lb. for white and 11 cts. for gray, heads off.
 - Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.
 - Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt.
 - Salt hake, \$2 per cwt.
 - Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt.
 - Splitting prices for fresh fish:
 - Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.
 - Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium, \$1.30; snappers 50c.
 - Haddock, \$1.30 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.30 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.

New Vessels at Essex.
At Essex the new Boston fishing schooner Eleanor De Costa is finished at Tarr & James' Essex yard, and is awaiting the opening of the river for launching. She is built on the lines of the Josephine De Costa and when fitted out will be placed in command of Capt. John Fields, lately of the Gertrude, and before that of the Louise C. Cabral, which was burned a couple of years ago in Provincetown harbor.

Almost finished at A. D. Story's yard is a new knockabout which is being built for Capt. Silveira. The new schooner is named the Georgia, and will be about the same model as the Matthew S. Greer. She will be launched in a couple of weeks if weather and water conditions prove favorable.

Former Gloucester Craft Rammed.

Sch. Thomas F. Bayard, formerly a well known fishing schooner of this port, which was sold and went to the Klondike coast at the time of the gold craze, is now one of the Pacific sealing fleet. Recently she was rammed while lying at her wharf, by a Vancouver tug. It has repaired and proceeded on her voyage to the sealing ground.

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Newfoundland Fishing Notes.
Mr. Lake, of Fortune, is taking a couple of crews from St. John's, N. F., this season to crew his banking schooners for the Grand banks industry. Some of the men were engaged with the same people last year and made good bills. The inducement held out to the men by the owners of the schooners this year are one hundred and seventy dollars and an extra share for the entire banking voyage, which will last eight or nine months. The bankers going from St. John's have already taken up their supplies and will leave on the Prospero about March 20th for Fortune, as the schooners will then be ready to sail for the banks, as operations there are expected to begin about the last of March.

Anacortes Company Will Not Build Immediately.

In an interview with W. F. Robinson, president of the Robinson Fisheries company, a representative of the American learned that the report, as published by a local paper, stating that the Robinson Fisheries would begin building operations soon on a large plant, was untrue. Mr. Robinson stated that although he was contemplating building later on, there would nothing be done until summer at the very earliest. The codfish schooners Alice and Joseph Russ will sail for the north in the early spring as usual to engage in the cod-fishing business, but nothing is to be done in the building line for several months at least.—Anacortes American.

- Haddocking Stocks.**
- Sch. Elsie, Capt. Thomas Downey, stocked \$1426 on her haddock trip, landed here yesterday, the crew sharing \$30 clear.
 - Sch. Raymah, Capt. Felix Hogan, stocked \$1700 on her haddock trip, landed at T wharf yesterday.

Portland Fish Notes.
The following fares of fish were reported Wednesday, all for the Commercial wharf dealers: Topsail Girl 8000; Fanny Reed, 3000; Wautauga, 3500.

Will Start Factory.
The Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast Guard says: "It is said Mr. H. T. d'Entremont of Lower East Pubnico, will start a boneless fish business there, if reciprocity carries, as now framed."

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MUSSELS FOR FOOD.
Woods Hole Laboratory Man Puts Them on a Par With Oysters.

A valuable food resource of the nation which so far has not been developed is to be found in the mussel beds, which extend on the Atlantic coast, from Maine to North Carolina and on the Pacific from Washington to San Francisco.
Irving A. Field of the United States fisheries laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass, in a bulletin entitled "The food value of sea mussel," says the natural beds of sea mussels are capable of supplying wholesome food to thousands of persons at the expense of the trouble of collecting them.
It is possible, he believes, to develop an industry in the marketing of mussels which may surpass even that of the oyster and at the same time have no injurious effect upon that trade.

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Found Pollock Schools.
Pollock have been found at last, sch. Marion E. Turner landing about 6000 pounds at Portland on Wednesday, which she picked up off Half Way Rock. The various schooners and steamers which have been engaged the past month in hunting for this elusive fish, have had most discouraging luck, and quite a number of the skippers have given up the search in disgust.

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Portland Fish Notes.
It is evident that the net fish are not arriving in as large numbers as it was hoped. The fishing steamer Carrie and Mildred which has had her nets spread off the lightship came in again Thursday with a few fish, but not nearly as many as were secured last year. Capt. George McLean says the fish have not struck in very strong as yet.

Fresh Fish Fares at Digby, N. S.
Sch. Dorothy M. Smart was at Digby, N. S., recently with 105,000 pounds of fresh fish. Her stock must have been a good one, as haddock have been bringing good prices.

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**SHORE BOATS
LAND FISH.**

**SCH. PRECEPTOR ALSO LANDED
TRIP OF FRESH HALIBUT
AT THIS PORT.**

All the market boats went out this morning, as did quite a bunch of the pollock seining fleet, all looking for a chance to do some fishing so they can make the Monday market and share in the good prices which are sure to prevail.

Yesterday afternoon sch. Preceptor came in from a fresh halibut trip, hailing for 15,000 pounds of halibut. Like all the rest of the fleet which has been to the eastward the Preceptor has had her full share of bad weather and very little chance to do any fishing.

At present but few vessels are due and arrivals next week are expected to be not numerous.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.
The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Preceptor, Quero Bank, 15,000 lbs. halibut.
- Steamer Quoddy, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Nomad, shore, 5500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Prince Olaf, shore, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Weazel, shore, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Mindora, shore, 900 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.
- Sch. Georgianna, shore.
- Sch. Alice, shore.
- Sch. Hope, shore.
- Sch. Mary Emerson, shore.
- Sch. Hope, shore, 1000 pounds fresh fish.

- Vessels Sailed.**
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.
 - Sch. Emily Cooney, haddocking.
 - Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddocking.
 - Sch. Valentina, haddocking.
 - Sch. Elsie, haddocking.
 - Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, salt trawling.

- Today's Fish Market.**
- Georges handline salt cod, \$5.55 for large and \$5.00 for medium.
 - Bank halibut 14c per lb., for white and 11 1/2 c for gray, heads off.
 - Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.
 - Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt.
 - Salt hake, \$2 per cwt.
 - Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt.
 - Splitting prices for fresh fish:
 - Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.
 - Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium, \$1.30; snappers 50c.
 - Haddock, \$1.30 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.30 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.

Halibut Sale.
The fare of sch. Rhodora sold to the American Halibut Company at 14 cents per pound for white and 11 1-2 cents for gray. The fare of sch. Preceptor sold to the same concern. Each fare was sold with the heads off.

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A 176 Pound Catfish.
What is probably the largest catfish ever captured in an Iowa river was pulled out of the Nishnabotony River by men who were excavating for a foundation for the new dam. The fish weighed 176 pounds. Its mouth was filled with scars and several fish-hoofs were imbedded in it. The fish is supposed to be the one hooked so many times by fishermen near here, none of whom was ever able to land the monster.

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More Good Haddocking Stock.
Sch. Harmony, Capt. Christopher Gibbs, stocked \$2310 on her recent fine haddock trip landed at Boston, the crew sharing \$64.12.
Sch. Virginia, Capt. Conrad, stocked \$1550 on her fare landed at T wharf this week and yesterday sch. Cynthia, Capt. Geoffery Thomas stocked between \$1500 and \$1800 on her nice fare, the crew sharing \$41 clear.

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PRICES WELL SUSTAINED.

ALTHOUGH OFFSHORE HADDOCK
MADE DROP AT T WHARF
THIS MORNING.

Two more of the offshore fleet struck T wharf yesterday after the morning report and both had fine fares, sch. Conqueror having 72,000 pounds and sch. Morning Star 68,000 pounds. This morning four more of the big fellows are in with catches ranging from 48,000 to 57,000 pounds and three out of the four, schs. James W. Parker, Hortense and Susan and Mary, all go from one concern, the Atlantic Maritime Company. Beside the offshore vessels eight of the market boats are in, most of them with small catches.

The price on offshore stock is off, but the buyers are keeping live shore goods up in the air all right. Offshore haddock brought \$2, and shores \$4. Large cod went at from \$4.25 to \$5.10. Hake were \$5.10 to \$7.50 and pollock hung on to the \$4 mark.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Jeanette, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. James W. Parker, 48,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Hortense, 40,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Susan and Mary, 42,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Marguerite, 1500 cod.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 4000 cod.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 6000 haddock, 6000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Alice, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake, 8000 cusk, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 30,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Conqueror, 65,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Morning Star, 60,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 8000 haddock, 1000 hake.

Offshore haddock, \$2 per cwt.; shore haddock, \$4; large cod, \$4.25 to \$5.10; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4.25; hake, \$5.10 to \$7.50; pollock, \$4; cusk, \$2.85.

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HIGHLINERS OF BOSTON FLEET,

RECORD MADE IN THE FRESH
FISH RECEIPTS AT T
WHARF.

Receipts of fresh fish at Boston during 1910 were the largest ever, according to the annual report of the Boston Fish Bureau. The amount landed direct from the fishing fleet totalled 102,059,154 pounds, as against 92,034,750 in 1909. The previous record year was 1905, when 101,306,695 pounds were landed. The fish last year brought in 5000 trips, also the greatest during the 36 years of the Fish Bureau.

The report chronicles a "fair degree of success during the year just ended attending those engaged in the fishing industry." Exceptionally good trade marked the opening of the year, and among the contributing factors were the high prices for beef and the excellent quality of the fish placed on the market. The Lenten trade was the best ever enjoyed by the dealers.

The report sounds a warning note regarding clams. Prices are advancing, it says, owing to the growing scarcity, each year, and unless action is taken by the Legislatures of Massachusetts and Maine towards protecting this shell fish, it is feared they will become extinct.

In the report the following splendid stocks are credited the Boston market:

Sch. Mary C. Santos, Capt. Manuel C. Santos, \$50,000.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, Capt. William H. Thomas, \$45,000.

Sch. Matchless, Capt. Frank Gaspe, \$42,500.

Sch. Josie and Phebe, Capt. Lawrence Norris, \$42,400.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, Capt. Frank Watts, \$40,693.

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Sch. Mary E. Cooney, Capt. Frank Cooney, \$35,000.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, Capt. Julius Anderson, \$35,000.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, Capt. Frank Nunan, \$34,000.

Sch. Warren W. Goodspeed, Capt. George Perry, \$33,332.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, Capt. Herbert Nickerson, \$22,000.

The report gives the following interesting table of receipts at Boston for the past eight years:

	Groundfish.	Other Fish.	Total.
1903	74,039,854	6,227,007	80,266,872
1904	75,920,980	6,173,186	82,094,163
1905	94,184,930	7,111,765	101,306,695
1906	86,965,350	2,737,020	89,693,370
1907	81,104,480	6,000,556	88,111,036
1908	85,036,450	6,841,130	91,877,580
1909	89,931,850	5,152,900	92,034,750
1910	100,232,968	1,826,186	102,059,154

The number of arrivals each year was as follows: 1903, 3818; 1904, 4056; 1905, 4280; 1906, 4505; 1907, 4383; 1908, 4500; 1909, 4072; 1910, 5060.

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Duties on Nova Scotia Fish.

The Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast-Guard says:

"Speaking about reciprocity the other day, Fred T. Nickerson of the well-known fish firm of F. T. Nickerson & Co., Clark's Harbor, said "Other local curers and myself made an estimate, lately of the customs duties paid on last year's out-put of boneless cod from this island alone. It is safe to put the amount at \$8000. It is a very simple thing to compute. We know how many boxes we shipped, and at 35 cents a box the calculation is sure. Now, our sales returned us just that much less than the selling price. In other words, our several enterprises here helped enrich the Washington treasury to that extent, while if you reckon in the fresh fish exported from this island, in the same period—though not a flush year—the total loss to Cape Island labor would be about \$15,000."

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VESSELS REPORT BAD WEATHER.

LARGE COD FOUND UNUSUALLY
PLENTIFUL ON QUERO
BANK.

Two crafts came along from offshore yesterday, both with small trips and each with the report of the hardest kind of weather to the eastward. Sch. Claudia was from Quero Bank, and Capt. Gouvereau says he never saw anything like it in all his going fishing. When it did not blow a gale, it blew so hard that the men could not fish.

Recently he spoke schs. Waldo L. Stream, Teazer and Selma.

The former had been gone three weeks from home and had had her lories over the side but once, while sch. Teazer had had but two sets and both of them were short ones.

Capt. Gouvereau says that there seemed to be a good look of fish on the ground, but the weather precluded all chances of getting anything like a decent trip.

He also reports two things which are certainly unusual for this season of the year. On the southeastern part of Quero Bank, in 35 fathoms of water, while having a try with hand-lines, the crew began to haul in great big codfish, a pair at a time. A set was had, but the weather was so bad that only two skates to a dory could be set, and when the crew hauled back there was a codfish on every hook and that short set netted 12,000 pounds of salt cod, showing that the fish must have been very plentiful there. Also, on the "Middle Ground," to the northward of Sable Island, the captain reports the water literally alive with great shoals of the largest kind of sea herring.

Sch. Jubilee, one of the Georges handline fleet, brought in a small catch, Capt. Swim reporting bad weather.

About all of the shore fishing fleet, except the pollock seiners, went out during the night, but the wind is to the southward and eastward outside and quite a bit of snow falling, so the chances are very much against them getting a set. All are anxious to get some fish this week, as last week they had hardly an opportunity to make a dip and they know that it looks like high prices all the week, both at this port and at T wharf.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Claudia, Quero Bank, 10,000 lbs. halibut, 12,000 lbs. salt cod, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

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Sch. Jubilee, Georges, handlining, 6000 lbs. salt cod 5000 lbs. fresh cod, 3000 lbs. halibut.
Steamer Bethulia, shore.
Sch. Mabel Bryson, shore.
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.
Sch. Susan and Mary, via Boston.
Steamer Prince Olaf, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Mindora, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Nomad, shore, 11,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Emily Cooney, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, haddocking.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddocking.
Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddocking.
Sch. Harriet, haddocking.
Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.
Sch. Matthew S. Greer, haddocking.
Sch. Edith Silveira, haddocking.

Today's Fish Market.

Georges handline salt cod, \$5.55 for large and \$5.00 for medium.

Bank halibut 13½¢ per lb., for white and 11¢ for gray, with the heads off.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.

Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$2 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.

Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium, \$1.30; snappers 50c.

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PLENTY OF FISH AT T WHARF.

DEMAND, HOWEVER, IS GOOD
AND PRICES ARE WELL
SUSTAINED.

T wharf certainly has fish enough this morning to supply all the demands made upon its dealers. With seven big off-shore fares and 16 of the market fleet in also, and some of them with extra good catches there will be enough to go around, and perhaps some over for Tuesday.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis heads the list with a splendid catch of 86,000 pounds and Capt. Curtis will make a fine stock sure. Schs. Slade Gorton and Lucania have about 80,000 pounds each, sch. Elmer E. Gray, 70,000 pounds, sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 65,000 pounds, sch. Esperanto, 50,000 and sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 60,000 pounds.

Some of the market boats have been fishing down off Chatham and struck good hauls. Sch. Athena has 16,000 pounds and sch. Victor and Ethan, 25,000 pounds. Sch. Aspinet has been off in another direction and has 33,000 pounds, 26,000 pounds of which are hake and cusk. Her check will be a big one.

Considering the amount of fish in prices are as good, if not better than could be expected. Off-shore haddock sold at \$2.25 and \$2.50, with shore haddock at \$4.75 to \$5.25. Large cod brought \$5 to \$5.50, while hake still held the banner position, being quoted at from \$4 to \$6.75. Pollock were \$4 and \$4.50.

There were 90 arrivals at T wharf last week and they brought in 1,923,200 pounds of fresh fish. For the corresponding week last year there were 83 arrivals with 1,822,800 pounds of fish.

Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 40,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Athena, 16,000 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Aspinet, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake, 16,000 cusk.

Sch. Lucania, 60,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Slade Gorton, 65,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 55,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 50,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Flavilla, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Manomet, 3000 haddock, 600 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod.